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SUBJECT: ROKG ALERT

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FOLLOWING IS TEXT COMUSK MESSAGE ON ROKG ALERT (REF B).

## QUOTE.

- 1. AP AND UPI TODAY ISSUED NEWS ITEMS ANNOUNCING A ROKG ALERT UNDER WHICH ONE FIFTH OF GOVERNMENT AGENCY PERSONNEL WERE REQUIRED TO REPORT FOR DUTY AT NIGHT AND ON HOLIDAYS. SAME RELEASE REFERRED TO NORTH KOREAN TERRITORIAL VIOLATION REPORTED BY REF (A) AND CAN LEAVE IMPRESSION THAT CHANGE OF ALERT STATUS HAS OCCURRED AS REULT OF INCIDENT REPORTED BY REF (A).
- 2. CHANGE IN ALERT IS NOT REPEAT NOT A DEFCON CHANGE AND NONE IS ANTICIPATED. RATHER, THE ROKG ALERT APPLIED TO CIVILIAN AND SELECTED MILITARY AGENCIES PARTICIPATING IN ROKG EX ULCHI. THIS EX IS CONDUCTED ANNUALLY AT THIS TIME OF YEAR TO TRAIN ROKG AGENCIES IN THEIR WARTIME RESPONSIBILITIES. TERRITORIAL WATER VIOLATION WAS NOT A FACTOR IN DECLARATION OF ROKG ALERT. UNQUOTE CONFIDENTIAL

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3. AP STORY JULY 14 ALSO ERRONEOUSLY LINKS USAF/ROKAF LANDING AND SCRAMBLE EXERCISE ON SEOUL-PUSAN EXPRESSWAY NEAR SUWON WITH ROKG ALERT AND WITH NORTH KOREAN INTRUSION. PURPOSE OF EXERCISE IS IN FACT TRAINING AND NOT RELATED TO ALERT OR INTRUSION. SNEIDER

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